



SELF-ADVOCACY STANDING COMMITTEE

DRAFT MINUTES

August 23, 2013

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council

1740 West Adams Street, Suite 410

Phoenix, Arizona 85007

A standing committee meeting of the Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (ADDPC) was convened on August 23, 2013 at the ADDPC, 1740 West Adams, Suite 410, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. Notice having been duly given. Present and absent were the following members of the ADDPC.

Members Present	
Tom Uno, Chair, Teleconference	Madeline Corzine, Teleconference
Susie Cannata, Teleconference	
David Copins, Teleconference	

Staff/Members of the Public	Members Absent
Marcella Crane, Contracts Manager	Monica Cooper
Lani St. Cyr, Fiscal Manager	Tim Martin
Michael Leyva, Grants Coordinator, Teleconference	Elmer Saufkie

Guests

Betsy Valnes, Executive Director, NYLN

A. Call to Order:

Tom Uno welcomed everyone to the Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (ADDPC) Self-Advocacy standing committee meeting. Meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. and introductions were made.

B. Minutes Approval

The Minutes from the June 6, 2013 committee meeting were approved with no changes.

- Motion by Susie Cannata to accept the Minutes.
- Motion was seconded by Madeline Corzine.
- Motion carried.

C. National Youth Leadership Network Proposal

Betsy Valnes presented to the Self Advocacy Committee the unsolicited proposal for establishing a National Youth Leadership Network in Arizona. NYLN is the nation's first youth-driven, youth-led organization comprised of young adult leaders with disabilities. The proposal will support the ADDPC's goal and objectives to establish a self-advocacy alliance comprised of diverse advocacy organizations that is led by persons with developmental disabilities, and build capacity of self-advocacy organizations in unserved/underserved areas of the state.

The NYLN proposal will create a state self-advocacy team, partner with Special Olympics Arizona and Best Buddies, create a state community ally alliance and create a sustainable model. The proposal is a three year period with funding estimated at \$51,000 per/year.

Committee members discussed the proposal and asked Ms. Valnes questions. Committee members directed staff to work with Ms. Valnes to refine the proposal with specific activities, implementation plan, measurable outcomes and budget. The agenda item was only for discussion and no vote was taken.

D. Self-Advocacy Research Project

Tom Uno presented the final research report on Self-Advocacy in Arizona. The project was undertaken by NAU/IHD with approval by the Council to identify self-advocacy organizations in Arizona, with an emphasis on local and statewide organizations. NAU/IHD developed a survey via Survey Monkey, conducted phone calls and performed other outreach methods to collect the data. The final report provides information on location, active membership, products produced, community partnerships, structure and resources they have and/or need. The Report will be utilized by the Self-Advocacy Committee in their work, and is referenced in the future draft self-advocacy scope of work that will be released in a competitive RFGA.

E. Self-Advocacy Draft Scope of Work

Marcella Crane provided an overview of the draft Scope of Work. The scope of work is specific to supporting three objectives:

1. Enhance the leadership capacity of self-advocates and increase their involvement in civic and other leadership activities;
2. Strengthen the capacity of self-advocacy organizations to promote systems change;
3. Build capacity for self-advocacy in underserved and unserved areas of the state.

Specific tasks are stated to support the objectives and applicants can choose one or more activities to implement. The scope of work will be released in a competitive RFGA process, where multiple awards might be made, and funding may be for multiple years. Currently, \$300,000 is set aside for a one-year contract.

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Committee members discussed the draft and offered additional feedback to be incorporated. Questions were asked about total amount of funding that will support grantees applying for renewal funding. Staff will identify additional dollars that will support self-advocacy projects. Committee advised staff to finalize the scope of work and bring it back to committee prior to release.

F. Call to the Public

No Public members were in attendance.

G. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 1:55 p.m.